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The kind of the Kaiser's long note is that orders have already been issued to commanders of German submarines to go slow, and he hopes President Wilson will like them. He is friendly and hopes this will find Uncle Sam the same.

F. H. Babbitt of Bellows Falls has announced that he is strongly in favor of Hughes and the Times says he may be chosen one of the Vermont delegates to the national convention. If Hughes is not available, he will heartily support any other man the convention after due deliberation decides to place at the head of the party ticket. That is about the way most republicans in Vermont feel, and that is the way they want their delegates to think for them. Frank C. Partridge of Proctor is another strong man in Vermont who is advocated as a delegate as an ardent supporter of Hughes, as was Fletcher D. Proctor before him.

THE PRESIDENTIAL TREND.

It is a remarkable situation that confronts the Republican party. Its national convention will meet in Chicago a month hence, yet it can not put its hand upon a single individual and say we can have this man as a candidate and win. The party has men with whom it could win. It also has candidates whose with whom it could not possibly win. It has no avowed candidate who republicans generally think could win.

The presidential situation is constantly changing, sometimes with lightning-like rapidity. Ordinarily a party's prospects depend almost entirely upon itself. To-day the prospects of republican candidates for the presidency are dependent in no small degree upon the shifting currents of war, and the changing possibilities for war with the United States.

Republicans thought they had a winning issue in preparedness and the tremendous failure of the present administration to provide means of national defense. Mr. Wilson first scoffed and then remained to pray for a bigger army and navy. He sidetracked the preparedness issue as a factor in the presidential race, and it now looks as though he might disconnect the locomotive and leave the thing standing on the main track.

All this shifting, which brings first Wilson and then Roosevelt to view, is apparently tiring the rank and file of the voters. They want something to which they can tie. They want somebody who will stick to what he says. They realize that Hughes is a man of that stamp. Hughes would never say he would not accept the presidency under any circumstances and then accept. He does not put himself in holes of that character. If he had said "immediate response" to Germany that is what he would have stood for to the end, but he would not have put himself in that hole either. He would have said "prompt" instead of "immediate," if that was what he really meant; and not said "immediate" and then let the reply from Germany drift into "early."

This is one explanation of the shifting of presidential sentiment in other parts of the country to Hughes. The Bennington Banner, which has had a fondness for Roosevelt, now says:

"Some two or three weeks ago the Banner commented on the plainly manifested swing of the political pendulum toward Roosevelt and predicted that there would be a reaction between then and the first of June. This reaction is now clearly in progress. The political pendulum is now swinging away from Roosevelt and toward Hughes."

Howard D. Hadley, well known in Burlington as a careful observer of currents of public sentiment and a trained newspaper man, who has been making a trip of three months through eighteen republican States for the New York Tribune, reaches a number of interesting conclusions, stated as follows:

"The Old Guard leaders feel that they have headed off Roosevelt from the presidential nomination and most of them are ready to head off Hughes, too, if they can figure out any way under Heaven to do so and still beat Wilson. If they can head off Hughes as well as Roosevelt, ex-Vice-President Fairbanks

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is almost certain to be named—provided the Old Guard leaders can convince themselves they can beat Wilson with Fairbanks. They want to put Jim Watson through for United States senator in Indiana and unless something heroic is done Tom Taggart will defeat Watson. Taggart is more popular in Indiana than most outsiders have any idea of.

"But a new, and a real peril has appeared to vex the souls of the Old Guard leaders, which bids fair to spill the Old Guard beams completely. A demand is spreading like wild-fire for Roosevelt to run this year for United States senator from New York to succeed Senator O'Gorman. The voters, irrespective of party, want some one to bust up most of this bogus senatorial 'courtesy' committee assignments by seniority, and other outworn precedents and ancient bylaws of pork, privilege and plunder. In particular, the thought of 'Boss' Boies Penrose, of Standard Oil fame, sliding into the all-powerful place of chairman of the Senate finance committee makes the average republican voter and all the independent voters see red and think seriously of voting for Wilson, or Benson, or some other son, if need be, to stop Penrose's advancement.

"To sum up then, Hughes will be unanimously named for president; he will accept, and he will be elected. "Roosevelt will be the next United States senator from New York and he will carry the State by over 20,000. "Elihu Root will be the next secretary of state if his health will permit; if not, then Lodge will be drafted. "Clen Leonard Wood will play a prominent part in all plans for the incoming administration. "George W. Perkins may land in the cabinet, although he may not get his long-cherished ambition to be secretary of the treasury. "Fairbanks will be named for vice-president. "Wilson and Marshall will be renominated."

The first thought that suggests itself in connection with Mr. Hadley's summary of the political situation as he found it in the States in which republicans must get their electoral votes is that, while the Tribune has been supporting Roosevelt for the presidency, its correspondent lands Roosevelt in the Senate and puts Hughes at the head of the presidential procession.

We believe that is a happy solution of the whole situation. Roosevelt in the Senate would be in a position to force measures he wants to see written into law. He could push preparedness and other causes and see real results.

With Hughes in the White House, Root as secretary of state, Roosevelt as United States senator and Governor Whitman as his own successor, the great Empire State would come into its own again with big men dominating the situation. In any event, the present trend is plainly toward Hughes in different parts of the country.

UNCLE SAM PACES A MAN'S JOB IN MEXICO.

President Wilson and Congress have spent precious months fighting men of straw in dealing with preparedness problems. They have presented a new version of Nero fiddling while Rome burned. It is time now for the men who have been playing boy politics in Washington to realize that Uncle Sam is facing a full grown man's job in Mexico. Further trifling will be little short of criminal. Why prate about preparedness not being needed, when we are not able to protect a little stretch of Mexican border?

If there was any possibility that the American people would tamely submit to a withdrawal of our forces from Mexican soil until Villa's raid has been wiped out, it has been utterly dispelled by the latest outrage perpetrated by Villa bandits at the little settlement of Glenn Springs. This was in the region which Carranza had alleged his ability to prevent further outrages on Americans. Apparently he was taken at his word by our military department. Americans were again caught napping. Those killed were not all civilians, half of the number being United States soldiers.

It would appear from all accounts that nine regular soldiers had been detailed for the guarding of this little place fifteen miles back from the Mexican boundary. Seventy Villa bandits forded the Rio Grande, killed three troopers and three civilians, including two boys. The war department is now seeking to restore the play of locking the stable door after the horse is stolen. Additional troops are being sent into Mexico to capture the bandits who perpetrated this latest raid on American territory. At this rate the whole available United States army will soon be engaged in the pastime of chasing little bands of Mexicans who have invaded the United States.

There is no longer possibility of doubt as to what must be done in Mexico. If Mexicans are raiding our territory while we have scattered troops on the border, we must provide a force of sufficient strength to "pacify" northern Mexico. It will be a saving of life in

the end as well as of expense, to go at the task man fashion. We can not place further dependence on Carranza or any other Mexican "big chief." Uncle Sam must take this situation in hand and deal with it intelligently as well as forcefully.

President Wilson and Congress regardless of party will do well to take due notice of outraged American sentiment and govern themselves accordingly.

THE ANNUAL.

When the soap is on the stairway and the rugs are on the lawn, And the paperhanger's coming while the plasterer has gone, When the men are all dejected and are bothered with the blues, While their wives are madly shuffling in enormous overshoes, O, the house is in a turmoil at the very brink of dawn, When the soap is on the stairway and the rugs are on the lawn.

When the eulud lady's smashing all the marble statues, And the hardwood floors are ruined by the rollerskating men, When the grand piano's damaged by a can of color spilled, In its innermost recesses by a man who should be killed, O, it's then we see a picture never painted, nay, nor drawn, When the soap is on the stairway and the rugs are on the lawn.

When you're eating from the gas range and are sleeping in the hall, And you sit down in the kalsome intended for the wall, And the butter cakes are tinted with a dash of indigo, And your coffee tastes of benzine and there's borax in the dough, O, a broom will send you sideways like a thimble started fawn, When the soap is on the stairway and the rugs are on the lawn.

Ah, for somewhere east of Suez, where the best is like the worst, And a human habitation by house-cleaning is not cursed? For there's tumult in the attic, and the cellar is a mess, And you have to scrub the windows with a bureau when you dress, And you have a very doubtful spring-less cot to sleep upon, When the soap is on the stairway and the rugs are on the lawn.

—Universalist.

PASSING THOUGHTS.

In politics, the outside is the wrong side.

When a young man has finished his education his real learning begins.

Some persons regard trade as so vulgar that they are reluctant to approach tradesmen near enough to pay their bills.

Many so-called reasons are only poor excuses.

Spring no less than January 1 is a good time for good resolutions.

Most of the troubles among neighbors have their source in excessive intimacy.

—Albany Journal.

MOVING ON!

In three hundred years the value of Manhattan Island has grown from \$24 to nearly \$50,000,000.

The world does move and no part of it moves faster than the United States.

The American republic, not a century and a half old, has become the greatest of all the world powers, the refuge of the persecuted, and the home of a hundred million independent sovereigns.

In the growth of national wealth every one of its people has participated. All have not shared alike, but it is the law of nature for one star to differ from another in glory, as men differ in stature, brain, brawn and ability.

The growth of the nation has brought with it blessings that we are too apt to forget. It has made labor worth more, life sweeter, happiness greater, education freer, religion more tolerant, wealth more moderate, and health better safeguarded.

It has given the ambitious, industrious, self-supporting young man more abundant opportunity for advancement than is offered in any other land.

It has given to the struggling masses of the world a place of refuge. Our doors still swing open and the tide of immigration is toward us.

Yet, with all our blessings, the envious demagogue continues to preach the gospel of "Americanism," continues to tell the people why they should be unhappy, and continues to denounce capital, which creates the opportunity for labor.

But the world moves faster than the demagogue and in due time will outrun him. Then prosperity will once more resume its commanding place.—John A. Schleicher in Leslie's.

MEN AND MATTERS.

Japan has 74,117 pensioners.

There are nineteen national parks in the United States.

Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia is an expert horseman.

Denmark holds the world's record for intensive farming.

Great Britain furnishes one-fourth of the world's lead supply.

Approximately 78,811 men are on an eight-hour day in Massachusetts.

The United States is the greatest paper producing country in the world.

There are no officers in the Swiss army who have not served as privates.

Defective flies are responsible for 13 per cent. of all the flies in the United States.

Brigadier-General Ford is said to be the youngest general in the British army.

Belfast, Ireland, has less unemployed than any other city in the United Kingdom.

VERMONT AND MOOTED ROOSEVELT MOVE FOR HUGHES.

Vermont has been hailed in other New England States and elsewhere as the strongest Hughes State in the Union. This is unquestionably true, judging from the utterances of republican leaders as well as the voice of the Vermont press. Even New York, the home State of Justice Hughes, has no such outspoken sentiment for him or any other man as the Green Mountain State has shown for Hughes.

Under these circumstances much will depend upon the verdict of Vermont next Tuesday. Vermont republicans will strengthen the chances of Hughes by writing his name on the preferential ballot, or they will weaken the chances of getting Hughes to run by staying at home and neglecting the first opportunity to strike a decisive blow for the man for whom most of us have been calling since 1908.

We desire to emphasize the necessity of energetic action by Vermont republicans next Tuesday, because in our humble estimation some of the powerful republican leaders in other States are riding for another fall next November. They are trying to defeat the popular will. If they succeed, the history of 1912 will repeat itself and Wilson will continue to serve as president another four years.

The moment these Old Guard leaders think they have Roosevelt side-tracked, they immediately turn from their talk of Hughes to placate the public and try to spring a Root move. Vermont's influence under these circumstances will never count for so much again in this campaign as it will in indicating a strong preference for Hughes and in sending to Chicago a delegation of men who are ready to talk Hughes as well as take off their coats and work for him.

The Montpelier correspondent of the Springfield Republican in this connection says: The present indications are that the republican delegates will be ex-Gov. G. H. Prouty of Newport, Secretary of State Guy W. Bailey of Essex Junction, Edmund R. Morse of Proctor, Collins M. Graves of Bennington and John T. Cushing of St. Albans. There has been some suggestion of the name of Theodore N. Vail of Lyndon, but this has met with some objection because Mr. Vail is closely affiliated with large corporations. Sentiment seems to be more clearly defined regarding candidates in the western part of the State than in the eastern part."

The Boston Transcript says in this regard: "The temptation to the voters to express a preference at the primaries on May 16, when the first trial will be made of the new primary law, is undoubtedly a strong one, and may prompt an expression of preference as between Justice Charles E. Hughes and Theodore Roosevelt. It is a significant sign of the trend of public thought throughout the country that these two candidates are the only ones who are being seriously considered by Vermont republicans."

We would be glad to see Mr. Vail honored by selection as one of the delegates to the Chicago convention. We are unfavorably impressed, however, by his failure to take the public into his confidence and tell the voters whether he is for Hughes. If Mr. Vail went to the national convention as an emissary for Root, he would not be correctly representing Vermont sentiment, and genuine representation is what Vermont needs above everything else in this fight. Mr. Vail would not help to win progressive support or heal the party breach. Progressives do not hesitate to say this.

The independent Brooklyn Eagle, bearing in mind the rejection of Root's proposed constitution by 500,000 in New York; his surrender of American rights in the Panama canal to Great Britain; his close affiliation with the great corporation interests of New York, and the western opposition to him sums up the situation as follows:

"The Eagle admires Elihu Root. It believes that Mr. Root would make a good president, a patriotic president, as free from influence by those forces with which he has been identified in the past as Colonel Roosevelt would be. But it does not think that Mr. Root himself would look forward to election day hopefully, if he secured the nomination. He is not a purblind egoist. And his party knows that it has a fight ahead, a bitter, doubtful fight, whomever it may name. That is why the Root movement will not be seriously considered at Chicago."

The Eagle, which is always a newspaper instead of an organ, although it is inclined to support Wilson, discusses what is likely to happen in the event of a republican move for Root as follows:

"Colonel Roosevelt is seriously considering the advisability of issuing a public appeal to his friends to support Justice Charles E. Hughes for the republican presidential nomination. It is further stated that such a letter will be written if either of the following two contingencies should develop: "The failure of Roosevelt to win the republican nomination for himself; "The likelihood of the nomination being captured by the Old Guard in behalf of Elihu Root."

"Contrary to the popular notion, peace was not re-established between Roosevelt and Root at the famous luncheon given by Robert Bacon, when the former secretary of state under T. R. brought together those one-time chums, along with Senator Henry Cabot Lodge. Roosevelt hesitated a long time before deciding to meet Root. He had not forgotten nor forgiven the Chicago convention of 1912 and the part taken there by Root as driver of the steam roller.

"Since that event alarm has spread among the Bull Moose element lest Root be lifted into the White House with the aid of their leader, T. R. It has become necessary for Roosevelt to reassure his followers with the statement that if Root is nominated by the G. O. P. the Bull Moose irreconcilables will insist on Roosevelt running on a third ticket.

"There is another reason why Roosevelt is opposed to the Root candidacy. He sees in it the rehabilitation of his old enemy, William Barnes. The latter is at the head of the Root movement. Barnes hopes to make a big demonstration of power at the Chicago convention. He expects to be able to say to the leaders from other States, in effect: 'I am the real republican leader in New York State. I come here with a big majority of the State's votes for Root. The governor has only a pitiful minority for Hughes.'

"Roosevelt is watching the situation closely and weighing the importance of each development. He is said to be keenly aware of a slump in his own candidacy and seriously doubts his ability to capture the G. O. P. convention. He realizes that the cards are being stacked against him by the Old Guard. They are naming as delegates only tried and true men. They will go to the convention against T. R. and prepared to resist every effort to stampede them. The country may be for Roosevelt but the Old Guard are seeing to it that the delegates are not.

"Understanding how he is being outmaneuvered, T. R. has made up his mind that Root shall not be named if he can prevent it. Consequently the prediction is being made by well informed men that if the Root candidacy seems to grow in strength there will be an announcement from Oyster Bay at the psychological moment in favor of Hughes."

The Barnes-Root element have never hesitated to "knife" a progressive republican who threatened their hold on the organization in New York. Barnes has never dodged co-operation with Tammany Hall to this end. Indeed he has boasted of the small vote given political enemies in his county. Indications are not wanting that a host of voters in the Empire State are determined to eliminate the baneful Barnes influence from the Republican party even if they have to undergo four years more of Wilson to help purge the party. In this crisis Vermont republicans have a grand duty to perform. We can help nominate Hughes and save the party and aid thus in assuring republican victory next November.

WANTED REST.

An old farmer who had been heaped all his life was about to die. His wife felt it her duty to offer him such consolation as she might, and said, "John, you are about to go, but I will follow you."

"I suppose so, Maria," said the old man weakly, "but as far as I am concerned you needn't be in any blamed hurry about it."

BUT HE CAN "SEE."

"I suppose," ventured the interested friend of the family, "that John is still burning the midnight oil at college?"

"Yes, indeed," responded the fond but puzzled mother, "but the college must furnish a very inferior quality of oil. John writes me that some midnight light is so poor that he can hardly read his hand."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

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1,187,609.36	January 1, 1880	43,239.43
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MR. VILAS A CANDIDATE FOR SENATOR.

To the Editor of the Free Press:

It is possible that reading in the recent frequent announcements of candidates to public office the oft repeated promises to faithful public service, the protestations to loyalty to party and to the State, has had a decided influence in making me wish to join the patriotic throng that I may lay a wreath upon the altar of the common cause. While the origin of the spring fever may best be left to the diagnosis of others, I deem it fitting and altogether reasonable to prepare the public for the pains and penalties of the future by now stating that I shall be a candidate at the next primary election for the nomination as one of the four republican State senators from this county. Decided assurance of support for the office have been made to me from most of the towns of the county.

Political parties are essential to good government under our governmental formation. They are a means to an end; never an end. When they cease to contribute to the benefit of the whole people, their mission is ended. From the political confusion of the last few years enough has become clear to render it patriotically desirable for republicans to endeavor to bring all factions in harmony in their party at a time especially critical in the conditions and questions which confront and surround America.

Should I be a member of the next Legislature, I should, without regard to political parties, represent the entire State in whatever is for the public advantage.

Vermont is considerably free from the political turmoils of many States. Yet we are sufficiently close to the center of the nation's life to feel the pulsations of the heart of the republic and to have in common with most of the questions which are now before the American people having in view a more direct participation by the people in government. It seems to me I am justified in writing that to many of the questions of importance likely to come before a Vermont Legislature I have given very considerable time and attention. It seems to me I am justified in stating that if I am fitted to do anything well, I am fitted to attend as a beginner to the duties of a member of the upper House at Montpelier. Certainly, if elected, I will be present whenever the Senate is in session regardless of any other business, and will give to the work careful attention. If I win, I will endeavor to make it a winning for Vermont.

MARTIN S. VILAS.

May 5, 1916.

CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATOR.

To the Editor of the Free Press:

Will you please announce that I have decided to be a candidate for State senator from Grand Isle county.

ALBURN, Vt., May 8, 1916.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR ASSISTANT JUDGE.

To the Voters of Chittenden County:

I wish to announce through the medium of the Free Press that I will be a candidate for the office of assistant judge at the coming primaries. The fact that it is over 30 years since Burlington has been represented in this capacity should be a strong factor in my favor.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. ADSIT.

Burlington, Vt., May 6, 1916.

Henry Ford is sued for \$100,000 by Navy League of United States, for alleged libelous and damaging statements published in advertisements.

VERMONT NURSES.

Annual Meeting of State Association Held in Burlington Tuesday.

The second annual meeting of the Vermont State Nurses' association was held Tuesday afternoon and evening on the roof garden of the Hotel Vermont with an attendance of 35 members. The Rev. C. C. Adams, pastor of the First Church of this city, opened the afternoon meeting with prayer, and the retiring president, Miss Mary E. Schumacher of Brattleboro, delivered the president's address. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Miss Flora Landon, Burlington; first vice-president, Miss Elsie Pease, Burlington; second vice-president, Miss Margaret T. Leavitt, Burlington; secretary and treasurer, Miss Florence E. Miller, Burlington; assistant secretary, Miss Mable Roddy of Rutland. Mrs. Jane Tower and Miss L. E. Stevens of Burlington were elected directors. These officers, with Miss Catherine Allison and Miss Helen L. Little, whose terms as directors do not expire until 1917, will constitute the executive board of the association. The association elected 15 new members. It was voted to hold the next annual meeting in Brattleboro on the second Tuesday in May.

Following the business meeting, the members of the association dined in a body at the hotel. The evening was occupied with an exhibition of motion picture films concerning the different phases of public health nursing furnished by the New York State board of health. The pictures showed the different problems which must be faced by the person engaged in public health nursing, and were of remarkable interest and value to the audience. The Vermont State association is now affiliated with the American Nurses' association.

LEAGUE FOR NURSING EDUCATION.

The second annual meeting of the Vermont State League for Nursing Education, whose membership is restricted to superintendents of hospitals and training schools, recognized by the State registration, assistant superintendents and instructors in nursing, was held Tuesday afternoon at the Hotel Vermont, following the business meeting of the Vermont State Nurses' association. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Hattie E. Douglass of Burlington; vice-president, Miss Elizabeth Hennessey of Brattleboro; secretary and treasurer, Miss Caroline M. Swift of Burlington. Eight new members were received into the association, which now has a total membership of 55 and is affiliated with the National League of Nursing Education. The next meeting of the league will be a quarterly one, which will be held in St. Johnsbury in August.